(c) and (d) Appeals are made after seeking appropriate advice from concerned Departments and the Courts admit them on merits. In view of this, there is no proposal under consideration of the Central Government to advise its organs to take retractive action on appeals made by them and entertained by Courts. In so far as State Governments are concerned, it is for the respective State Government to take a view in such matter.

Expansion work of NALCO

†4191. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the status of second expansion work of the National Aluminium Company (NALCO);

(b) whether the company is going to set up any factory abroad; and

(c) whether the rehabilitation problem of this profit earning company been fully resolved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (DR. T SUBBARAMI REDDY): (a) With regard to second phase expansion of National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO), orders have already been placed for 53 packages for refinery, 70 packages for smelter and 15 packages for captive power plant.

Overall physical progress of 2nd phase expansion is as follows:—

SI. No	Project segment	Cumulative progress upto March, 2007 (%)	
		Schedule	Actual
1	Mines & Alumina	28.2	24.0
2	Smelter	29.5	26.3
3	Captive Power Plant	48.93	44.63

(b) While NALCO has explored the possibilities of setting up an aluminium smelter abroad, however, as on date, there is no decision in this regard.

(c) The Company has informed that in NALCO, all the rehabilitation problems are addressed and resolved as per procedure. Out of the

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2130 families who have been affected by NALCO's projects in Damanjodi and Angul, 1685 families have been provided employment. In Damanjodi Sector, the balance 9 cases have not been settled. In Angul Sector, while commitment for employment stands in respect of 121 persons after their skill upgradation training and ITI training as per extant practice, in the remaining 315 cases, the nominees are not matriculate, and hence there is no scope available for their employment in the company. This fact has also been clarified to the Rehabilitation Advisory Committee. The Company has developed a scheme for one time cash assistance varying from Rs 2.5 lakhs to Rs 15 lakhs linked to the quantum of land acquired, in lieu of employment in respect of these non-matriculate employees.

Pending cases under MMDR, Act

†4192. SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:
SHRI MOTI LAL VORA:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases under consideration in the tribunal constituted in the Ministry under Section 30 of MMDR Act, 1957;

(b) the number of cases out of these, which are pending for the period of one, two and three years respectively; and

(c) the State-wise details thereof and by when these cases would be disposed of ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY): (a) 651 Revision Application (R.A.) cases as on 31.12.2006 are pending with the Tribunals constituted under section 30 of MMDR Act, 1957

(b) and (c) Year-wise and State-wise details of pending R.A. cases are given in the Statement (See below). Under the MMDR Act, 1957, no time frame for disposal of RAs. has been prescribed. However, efforts are made to dispose pending R.A. cases at the earliest, after following due procedure.

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